

List of Current Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1 - 6 (Cancelled).

7. (Currently Amended) A method for updating device descriptions for different field devices, sensors or actuators for determining, and influencing process variables in process automation technology, whereby the field devices are connected via a field bus, whereby in each case a device description describes the functionality of the corresponding field device in a standardized language, and whereby a control unit and an external server are employed, comprising the steps of:

storing preconfigured device descriptions for the field devices on a central server connected to the field bus via the internet;

storing and running an application program in the control unit for servicing, configuring, parameterizing, or troubleshooting the field device; and

downloading from the central server via the internet, by the application program in the control unit, the preconfigured device description of the corresponding field device to be serviced in the case that the preconfigured version of the device description of the field device is not available in the control unit, wherein:

the application program queries the external server, in regular intervals, as to whether new device descriptions are available.

Claim 8 (Cancelled).

9. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 7, wherein:
the device descriptions are device descriptions DDs.

Claim 10 (Cancelled)

11. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 7, wherein:
the device descriptions in the external server are saved in respective
national languages.

Claim 12 (Cancelled)